111TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. RES. 375

Supporting the goals and ideals of Workers' Memorial Day in order to honor and remember the workers who have been killed or injured in the workplace.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 28, 2009

Ms. Eddie Bernice Johnson of Texas (for herself, Mr. Braley of Iowa, Ms. Linda T. Sánchez of California, Mr. Michaud, Mr. Lynch, Mr. George Miller of California, Mr. Hare, Mr. Loebsack, Mr. Carson of Indiana, Mr. Lewis of Georgia, Mr. Grijalva, Mr. Al Green of Texas, Mr. Courtney, Ms. Sutton, and Mr. Gutierrez) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

RESOLUTION

Supporting the goals and ideals of Workers' Memorial Day in order to honor and remember the workers who have been killed or injured in the workplace.

Whereas, each year, more than 5,500 workers are killed due to workplace-related injuries in the United States, and more than 2,000,000 workers across the world die of workplace-related accidents and diseases;

Whereas, each day, an average of 16 workers are killed due to workplace injuries in the United States;

Whereas there are more than 4,000,000 occupational injuries and illnesses in the United States annually;

- Whereas tens of thousands of Americans with workplace injuries or illness become permanently disabled;
- Whereas more people are killed worldwide each year at work than in wars;
- Whereas observing Workers' Memorial Day allows us to honor and remember victims of workplace injuries and disease; and
- Whereas observing Workers' Memorial Day reminds us of the need to strive for better worker safety and health protections: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved, That the House of Representatives—
- 2 (1) supports the goals and ideals of Workers'
- 3 Memorial Day to honor and remember workers who
- 4 have been killed or injured in the workplace;
- 5 (2) recognizes the importance of worker health 6 and safety standards;
- 7 (3) encourages the Occupational Safety and 8 Health Administration, industries, employers and 9 employees to support activities aimed at increasing 10 awareness of the importance of preventing illness,
- injury, and death in the workplace; and
- 12 (4) calls upon the people of the United States 13 to observe such a day with appropriate ceremonies 14 and respect.

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